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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-40 are pending.

Election/Restrictions

- 2. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - I. Claims 1-6, 7-9, 23-36, and 37-40, drawn to a computer system for reorganizing storage, classified in class 707, subclass 205.
 - II. Claims 10-22, drawn to a method for reorganizing storage comprising the steps of aliasing the name of a legacy server, classified in class 707, subclass 204.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

3. Inventions Group I and II are related as combination and subcombination.

Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because both groups detail a computer system for reorganizing storage. The subcombination has separate utility such as in Group I, a file system receives a request, rewrites a file share path based on the request, and redirects the file system to another storage location. Group II has a separate utility where the computer system for reorganizing storage is aliasing the

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name of a legacy server, copying contents and permissions, creating a root, and a link to the destination server.

- 4. Because these inventions are independent or distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art in view of their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 5. Because these inventions are independent or distinct for the reasons given above and the inventions require a different field of search (see MPEP § 808.02), restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 6. Because these inventions are independent or distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Farhan M. Syed whose telephone number is 571-272-7191. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeffrey Gaffin can be reached on 571-272-4146. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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